

REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation that the Official Action indicated that claims 6-7 were directed to allowable subject matter.

In reliance thereupon, independent claims 1-2 have been amended to include the recitations of allowable claims 6-7, respectively.

Independent claims 4 and 5 have also been amended to include the recitations of allowable claims 6-7.

Accordingly, applicants believe that each of independent claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 are in condition for allowance.

The specification and abstract have been amended as to form.

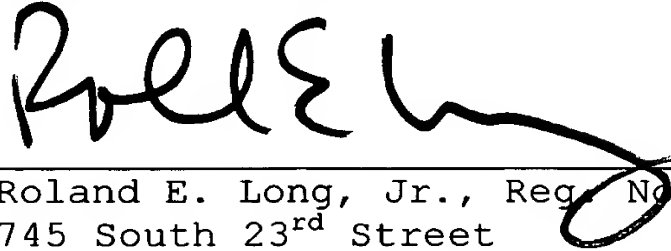
In view of the above, applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any

overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional
fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX:

The Appendix includes the following item:

- an amended Abstract of the Disclosure